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SUBJ: REQUEST FOR SPEAKER

1. SUMMARY: AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN SWITZERLAND WISHES TO INVITE ARTHUR BURNS, CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM, TO ADDRESS ITS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM) IN JUNE 1976. EMD SUMMARY.

2. THE AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HAS ASKED FOR EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IN ITS EFFORT TO PROVIDE A FORUM FOR A SPEECH BY CHAIRMAN BURNS. SUCH A SPEECH WOULD BE AN IMPORTANT HIGHLIGHT OF THE BICENTENNIAL YEAR, AND WOULD HELP EMPHASIZE, IN THAT YEAR, THE IMPORTANCE OF US-SWISS RELATIONS. THE OCCASION WOULD BE THE JUNE 1976 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE CHAMBER IN ZURICH.

3. IF CHAIRMAN BURNS ATTENDS THE JUNE 14, 1976, GENERAL MEETING OF THE BANK FOR INTERNATIONAL SETTLEMENTS IN BASEL, THE SPEECH COULD BE COORDINATED AND THE DATE OF THE CHAMBER AGM COULD BE ADJUSTED TO ACCORD WITH THE CHAIRMAN'S SCHEDULE.

4. THE EMBASSY STRONGLY ENDORSES THE CHAMBER'S REQUEST. WE BELIEVE THAT THE CHAMBER'S AGM, USUALLY ATTENDED BY 400 TO 600 PROMINENT SWISS AND US BUSINESS LEADERS, WOULD BE AN EXCELLENT FORUM FOR AN ADDRESS BY THE CHAIRMAN, AND THAT IF HE CAN BE PERSUADED TO MAKE THIS
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APPEARANCE IT WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED BY THE SWISS

AND OF SIGNIFICANT ASSISTANCE TO THIS EMBASSY IN CARRYING
OUT ITS MISSION HERE.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: THAT THE DEPARTMENT CONVEY THIS
MESSAGE TO THE CHAIRMAN WITH ITS SUPPORT FOR TPT REQUEST
AND ASK WHETHER HE WOULD ACCEPT A FORMAL INVITATION
FROM THE CHAMBER.
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